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## MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS
**(Legislative Department)**

*New Delhi, the 23rd June, 1984/Asadha 2, 1906 (Saka)*

The following President's Act is published for general information:—

# THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE LAWS (PUNJAB AMENDMENT) ACT, 1984

## No. 1 OF 1984

Enacted by the President in the Thirty-fifth Year of the Republic of India.

An Act to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure (Punjab Amendment) Act, 1983 and further to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, in its application to the State of Punjab.

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Punjab State Legislature (Delegation of Powers) Act, 1984, the President is pleased to enact as follows:— 36 of 1984.

**1.** (*1*) This Act may be called the Criminal Procedure Laws (Punjab Amendment) Act, 1984. Short title and commencement.

(*2*) It shall come into force at once.

**2.** In the Code of Criminal Procedure (Punjab Amendment) Act, 1983, in sub-section (3) of section 1, for the words "one year", the words "two years" shall be substituted. Amendment of Punjab Act 22 of 1983.

Amendment of Act 2 of 1974.

**3.** In sub-section (2) of section 167 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, in its application to the State of Punjab, for the words "fifteen days", at both the places where they occur, the words "thirty days" shall be substituted.

ZAIL SINGH,
*President.*

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R. V. S. PERI SASTRI,
*Secy. to the Govt. of India.*

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*Reasons for the enactment*

In order to ensure maintenance of public order and tranquillity in the State of Punjab and for that purpose to confer certain powers under the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (Central Act 2 of 1974) on the Executive Magistrates, the Legislature of the State of Punjab enacted the Code of Criminal Procedure (Punjab Amendment) Act, 1983 (Punjab Act No. 22 of 1983). The situation in the State still continues to be disturbed and to meet the situation effectively, it is considered necessary that the operation of Punjab Act No. 22 of 1983, which is due to expire on 27th June, 1984, be extended by one more year. In view of the unprecedented and extraordinary conditions prevailing in the State, the investigating agencies in the State are under heavy strain and will, therefore, not be able to complete interrogation of the accused persons within the time limit of fifteen days prescribed under section 167 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for keeping an accused person in police custody during investigation. The amendment of section 167 of the Code of Criminal Procedure to extend the said period of fifteen days for which a person can be authorised by the Magistrate to be detained in police custody to thirty days, is, therefore, considered necessary.

2. The present Bill seeks to achieve the above objects.

3. The Consultative Committee of Members of Parliament under the proviso to sub-section (2) of section 3 of the Punjab State Legislature (Delegation of Powers) Act, 1984 has not yet been constituted. It is thus not practicable to consult such Committee before enacting this Act and the Bill, is therefore, being enacted without reference to the Consultative Committee.

M. M. K. WALI,
*Secy. to the Govt. of India*
*(Ministry of Home Affairs).*

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